

Amendment No. 1 to HB0599

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 713

House Bill No. 599*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 5, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Agency" means the Tennessee emergency management agency;

and

(2) "Mesonet" means a network of weather monitoring stations.

(b) The agency shall establish a mesonet consisting of at least one (1) weather monitoring station in each county. The agency may enter into agreements with public and private institutions for the location, installation, operation, and maintenance of the weather stations that comprise the mesonet. The agency shall establish a central hub to receive and process data from the mesonet. The agency may convey weather data to the National Weather Service and United States Geological Survey in addition to supplementing warnings to emergency service agencies, media, and the public.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.